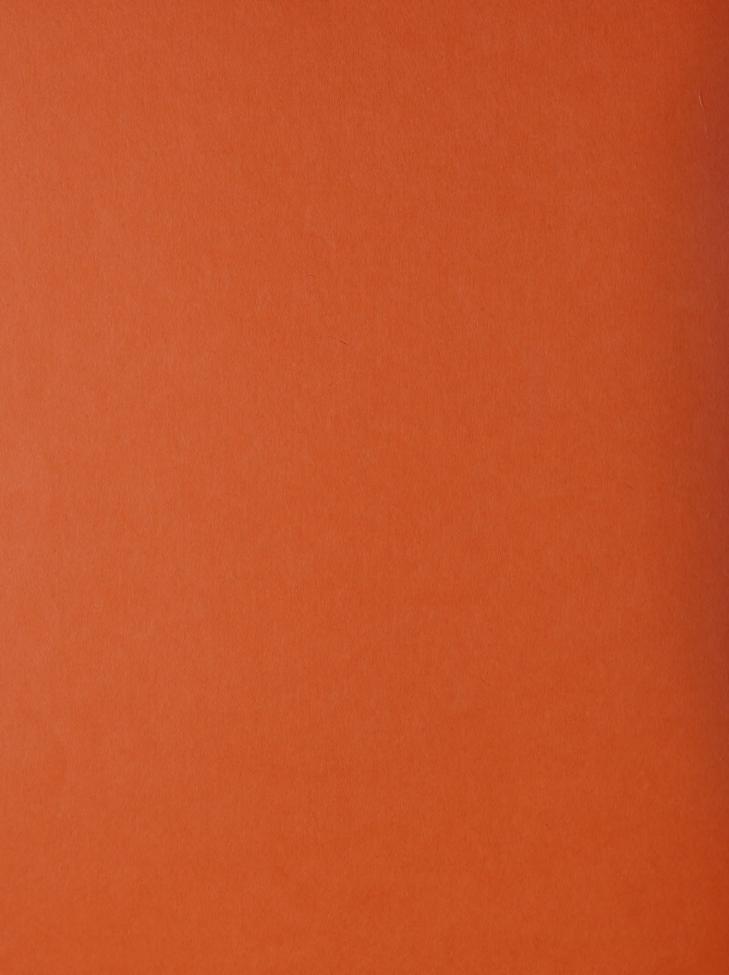
ANNUAL REPORT — 1978



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ANNUAL MEETING	Friday, June 29, 1979
	11:00 a.m. (Toronto Time) — York Room
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REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS

TO THE SHAREHOLDERS:

The Company's wholly-owned subsidiary, Raglan Quebec Mines Limited, holds mineral exploration permits totalling 300 square miles and 157 claims located in the Ungava Region of Quebec.

Topographical maps have been completed, based on the 1977 airborne photographic survey. Detailed geological mapping to correlate existing surface and underground data has not yet been initiated.

The depressed state of world prices and demand for nickel has begun to moderate. A review of previous feasibility studies will be made during 1979 in light of any changes in the nickel marketing situation.

The Consolidated Financial Statement of the Company and its subsidiary, Raglan Quebec Mines Limited, for the year ended December 31, 1978 are included in this report.

Ore Reserves

Ore reserves did not change during the year and are estimated, including dilution, as follows:

		Gra	Grade	
	Tons	% Ni	% Cu	
Donaldson Mine – Underground Exploration				
Well assured reserves	3,021,000	3.06	0.73	
Katiniq Deposit – Surface Drilling				
Indicated by closely spaced holes	5,276,000	2.42	0.70	
Assumed extension of ore within				
lateral limits of drilling	5,000,000	2.42	0.70	
2 - Area — Surface Drilling	660,000	2.43	0.72	
Assumed extensions of ore within				
lateral limits of drilling	500,000	2.43	0.72	
3 - Area – Surface Drilling	1,093,000	2.81	0.69	
Assumed extensions of ore within				
lateral limits of drilling	500,000	2.81	0.69	
	16,050,000	2.58	0.71	

On behalf of the Board of Directors,

L. C. KILBURN,
President.

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CONSOLIDATED BALANCE

ASSETS

CURRENT ASSETS	1978	1977
Cash and short term securities, at cost which approximates market value .	\$ 41,471	\$ 107,634
Accounts receivable	18,523	8,256
	59,994	115,890
FIXED ASSETS		
Mineral exploration licences and staked claims in the Cape Smith-Wakeham Bay area of Ungava, Quebec, at cost	81,000	81,000
Buildings and prospecting equipment, at nominal value	1	1
	81,001	81,001
DEFERRED EXPENDITURES		
Exploration, development and other expenditures deferred (notes 2 and 4)	28,523,992	28,464,157
	\$28,664,987	\$28,661,048

AUDIT

To the Shareholders of New Quebec Raglan Mines Limited

We have examined the consolidated balance sheet of New Quebec Ragl development and other expenditures deferred and changes in financial position for the standards, and accordingly included such tests and other procedures as we considered to

Recovery of exploration, development and other expenditures deferred is un In our opinion, subject to the effects, if any, on the financial statements of the financial statements present fairly the financial position of the company as at December and ended in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles applied on a basis of

Toronto, Canada January 16, 1979

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ET AS AT DECEMBER 31, 1978

LIABILITIES

CURRENT LIABILITIES	1978	1977
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$ 3,390	\$ 234
MINORITY INTEREST		
Preferred shares of subsidiary company issued to Falconbridge Nickel Mines Limited (notes 2 and 3)	17,395,916	17,395,174
SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY		
CAPITAL STOCK		
Authorized $-$ 8,000,000 Shares of \$1 each Issued $-$ 7,763,871 Shares (1977 $-$ 7,760,294 shares) (notes 2 and 5)	7,763,871	7,760,294
Amount representing exploration expenditures made by Falconbridge Nickel Mines Limited for which shares are to be issued (note 2)	41	7,333
PREMIUM ON SHARES	7,382	3,626
	7,771,294	7,771,253
CONTRIBUTED SURPLUS ARISING FROM REDUCTION OF CAPITAL in 1965	2,197,496	2,197,496
RETAINED EARNINGS	1,296,891	1,296,891
	11,265,681	11,265,640
	\$28,664,987	\$28,661,048

Approved by the Board

L. C. Kilburn, Director

J.-H. Gagné, Director

REPORT

nes Limited as at December 31, 1978 and the consolidated statements of exploration, then ended. Our examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing sary in the circumstances.

n, as explained in note 4.

mate resolution of the matter referred to in the preceding paragraph, these consolidated 78 and the results of its operations and the changes in its financial position for the year then ent with that of the preceding year.

THORNE RIDDELL & CO. Chartered Accountants

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF EXPLORATION, DEVELOPMENT AND OTHER EXPENDITURES DEFERRED Year Ended December 31, 1978

Exploration	1978	1977
Direct costs Geological expensesIndirect costs Property maintenance	\$ 742 45,791	\$ 134,145 85,724
, roperty manner and the manner and	46,533	219,869
Financing Value assigned to shares of company issued or to be issued as additional consideration to Falconbridge Nickel Mines Limited for making		
expenditures on subsidiary company's property (note 2)	41 27,716	7,333 17,791
Total expenditures for the year	74,290	244,993
Proceeds from sale of equipment	10,000 4,455	91,350 4,709
merest carried	14,455	96,059
NET EXPLORATION, DEVELOPMENT AND OTHER EXPENDITURES EXPENDITURES DEFERRED AT BEGINNING OF YEAR	59,835 28,464,157	148,934 28,315,223
EXPENDITURES DEFERRED AT END OF YEAR (note 4)	\$28,523,992	\$28,464,157
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FINANCIAL Year Ended December 31, 1978	POSITION	
WORKING CAPITAL DERIVED FROM	1978	1977
Preferred shares of subsidiary company issued or to be issued for exploration expenditures	\$ 742	\$ 134,145
subsidiary company's property	41	7,333
	783	141,478
WORKING CAPITAL APPLIED TO		
Net exploration, development and other expenditures	59,835	148,934
DECREASE IN WORKING CAPITAL	59,052	7,456
WORKING CAPITAL AT END OF YEAR	115,656	123,112
WORKING CAPITAL AT END OF YEAR	\$ 56,604	\$ 115,656

NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS Year Ended December 31, 1978

1. BASIS OF CONSOLIDATION

These financial statements include the accounts of the company and its subsidiary company, Raglan Quebec Mines Limited (No Personal Liability).

2. EXPLORATION AND DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENTS

In accordance with agreements entered into with Falconbridge Nickel Mines Limited, Falconbridge undertook exploration and development work on the subsidiary company's properties. As consideration Falconbridge receives:

One share of \$1 par value of the subsidiary's redeemable, cumulative preferred shares for each \$1 of expenditures and

One share of New Quebec Raglan Mines Limited for each \$37.50 of expenditure.

Prior to 1977 the company recorded the issuance of its shares at \$15 and \$12 per share which were the approximate fair market values of the shares at the dates of signing the prior agreements. Shares issued pursuant to a new agreement dated January 1, 1977 are to be issued at \$2.05 per share which is the approximate fair market value at that date. Pursuant to the agreements, Falconbridge incurred expenditures for which shares have been issued or are to be issued as follows:

	Expenditures	Preferred shares of subsidiary – par value	Shares of company — number
Total at January 1, 1977	\$17,261,029	\$17,261,029	260,294
1977	134,145	134,145	3,577
1978	742	742	20
Total at December 31, 1978	\$17,395,916	\$17,395,916	263,891

Falconbridge has the right under the agreements to continue exploration and development on the properties, expend further amounts thereon up to \$2,604,084 and receive as consideration preferred shares of the subsidiary company at par value and in addition one share of the company's capital stock for each \$37.50 of such expenditure.

The tax benefits with respect to these expenditures are claimable by Falconbridge and are not claimable by the subsidiary company.

3. ARREARS OF DIVIDENDS

Arrears of dividends on the cumulative preferred shares of the subsidiary company amount to \$10,166,640 at December 31, 1978 and \$8,954,966 at December 31, 1977. The subsidiary company has agreed that it will not pay dividends on its common shares or make any other payments to its common shareholders until all of its third preferred shares are redeemed.

4. EXPLORATION, DEVELOPMENT AND OTHER EXPENDITURES DEFERRED

Exploration, development and other expenditures amounting to \$28,523,992 at December 31, 1978 (1977, \$28,464,157) represent costs incurred in development of properties of the subsidiary company in the Cape Smith-Wakeham Bay area.

Development work on these properties was suspended in 1971. Feasibility studies indicate that recovery of these costs through future mining operations is dependent upon (a) substantial increases in the present world nickel prices; (b) the ability to raise sufficient capital financing; (c) the successful development of an economic mining operation; (d) marketing of production; and (e) maintaining the permits and licences in good standing.

Because of the world's current over-supply of nickel it cannot be predicted with certainty when the expenditures on the properties will be recoverable by charges against income from future mining operations.

5. CAPITAL STOCK

During the year the company issued 3,577 shares to Falconbridge Nickel Mines Limited at \$2.05 per share pursuant to the new agreement dated January 1, 1977. Of the proceeds of \$7,333, \$3,577 was credited to capital stock and the balance of \$3,756 was credited to premium on shares.

